

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer County Librarian Director of Public Works

At its meeting held December 16, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

County Librarian's joint recommendation with the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Public Works to approve and authorize the Chairman and the County Librarian to submit and sign a State grant application requesting State matching funds in amount of \$5,222,095, which represents 65% of eligible project costs, under the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000, to construct the Topanga Library Project (3); authorize the County Librarian, the Director of Public Works, and the Chief Administrative Officer to complete and submit all required supporting documents and reports for the grant application; approve the total grant project budget of \$10,010,790; approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the joint use cooperative agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District to provide for a jointly operated homework center as part of the new library; approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Option Agreement on behalf of the County in order to acquire control over the proposed site of the library project; adopt resolution making certain certifications as required in the Bond Act regulations; authorize the County Librarian to act as agent for the County, and to conduct negotiations, execute documents, and submit other information as may be required in support of the grant project; and find that the Board has previously approved and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

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Also, acting as the governing body of County Waterworks District No. 29, find that the property located at 122 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., is surplus to any present and foreseeable needs of the District; certify that the District, as a responsible agency under CEQA, has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the proposed project and the MND and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program adopted by the County, as lead agency; determine that the documents adequately address the environmental impacts of the proposed project; find that the District has complied with the requirements of CEQA with respect to the process for a responsible agency; and adopt by reference the County's MND and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; approve and instruct the Chairman to sign the Option Agreement on behalf of the District as settlement of eminent domain proceedings initiated by the County; instruct the Chairman to execute the Grant Deed, should the County exercise the option in accordance with the Option Agreement, upon presentation by the Department of Public Works.

Merritt Holloway addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the County Librarian's attached joint recommendations with the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Public Works; and acting as the governing body of County Waterworks District No. 29 adopted the aforementioned recommendations.

In addition, the Chief Administrative Officer was authorized to transfer the local match to the project capital account as detailed in the attached Board letter dated December 16, 2003.

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## Attachment

Copies distributed:
Each Supervisor
Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel